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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND
TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re the Application of: Dr. Rajinder S. Ranu

Serial Number: 09/975,842

Filed: October 12, 2001

For: Partial Gene Sequence from *Pelargonium* to Control Ethylene Levels in Geraniums

Group Art Unit: 1638

Examiner: Kallis, Russell

Assignee: Colorado State University through its agent Colorado State University Research Foundation

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)

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Dear Sir:

On behalf of the applicant, the undersigned attorney hereby requests an extension of time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a). This request is submitted in relation to a response due to the office action mailed April 10, 2003, having a shortened statutory period for response of three months. A response to this action on the merits would otherwise be due July 10, 2003, however, it is requested that this time period be extended for three months to and including October 10, 2003. This extension will thereby encompass the statutory period of six months pursuant to 35 U.S.C. §133. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.17, an extension fee of \$950.00 is submitted with this Petition. In the event the fee has

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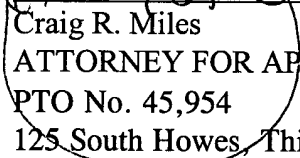
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been inappropriately calculated, please allow the maximum extension possible and inform me at your earliest convenience so that any deficiency or error can be corrected immediately.

Dated this 3 day of October, 2003.

Respectfully submitted,
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